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## **DMC Subcommittee Meeting Minutes of Electronic Meeting**

Lucas State Office Building  
321 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Des Moines, Iowa

February 18, 2015

**Present:** Wayne Ford, Chair; Candice Bennett; Kim Cheeks; LaTasha DeLoach; Janice Edmunds-Wells; Bob Greenlee; Stephanie Hernandez; Kevin McKeever; Stephan Pearson; Alba Perez; John Wauters; Sanjita Pradhan

**Others:** Jennifer Tibbetts; Vivian Hayashi, Brad Richardson

**Staff:** Steve Michael; Dave Kuker; Scott Musel; Julie Rinker

- **Welcome/Introductions**

In the absence of Wayne Ford, Dave Kuker opened the meeting at 10:07 a.m. A quorum was present.

- **Agenda - Additions/Amendments**

There were no changes to the agenda.

- **Minutes – January 13, 2015 Meeting**

**Janice Edmunds-Wells moved to approve the minutes from the January meeting, seconded by John Wauters. The motion was unanimously approved.**

- **Selection of Goals/Objectives DMC Plan**

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the goals and objectives for the Juvenile Justice Advisory Council's DMC priority area.

Candice Bennett reported that the Chief JCO's reviewed the CASP (Community and Strategic Planning) Project recommendations and agreed to the following:

1. Local collaboration—the Chiefs will work with existing groups, where applicable.

2. Detention Screening Tool—the Chiefs will monitor its effectiveness via a committee and make recommendations as needed.
3. The Chiefs will monitor the various system decision points and the effect on minorities.
4. A joint JCS/DHS committee will address issues related to crossover youth.
5. A committee will be seated to review alternatives to detention. Membership will include Chief JCO's, CJJP staff, judges, and county attorneys.

[10:13 a.m.—Wayne Ford joined the meeting]

John Wauters suggested private providers be incorporated into detention alternatives. He noted concerns when there are no other alternatives—no family, no place for youth to go. He suggested adding a third goal to incorporate this. Discussion focused on how to incorporate private providers, funding options, and ways to help families that are not involved with DHS. Ultimately, members agreed not to add a third goal.

Steve Michael provided information regarding meetings with other state agency leaders to implement the CASP plan recommendations. Meetings have been held with some legislators, a meeting is planned with the commissioner of Department of Public Safety.

Further discussion included a program for Latino youth in Ottumwa. Alba Perez requested more information regarding programming, funding, language and status barriers, and successes.

**Janice Edmunds-Wells moved to accept Goals 1 and 2 and the accompanying objectives. The motion was seconded by Kim Cheeks. The motion was unanimously approved.**

- **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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